## Focus Occupation: Physician Assistants (29-1071)

Focus occupation: Physician Assistants					
Employment and Growth		441/ 30.5%			
Ave. Monthly Wage		\$8,585			
Education/Experience	Master's degree				

Advance FROM Focus Occupation							
Occupation	Rung	Employment/ Growth	Education/Experience	Similarity			
Anesthesiologists (29-1061)	3	33/ 32.0%	PHD	100			
Obstetricians and Gynecologists (29-1064)	2	36/ 28.6%	PHD	100			
Family and General Practitioners (29-1062)	1	499/ 29.3%	PHD	90			
Pediatricians, General (29-1065)	1	55/ 31.0%	PHD	100			
Physicians and Surgeons, All Other (29-1069)		304/ 30.5%	PHD	91			

Advance TO Focus Occupation						
Occupation		Employment/ Growth	Education/Experience	Similarity		
Chiropractors (29-1011)	-1	80/ 33.3%	PHD	91		
Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners, All Other (29-1199)	-1	216/ 28.6%	MA	74		
Registered Nurses (29-1111)	-2	6,208/ 27.7%	AA	98		
Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics (29-2041)	-3	543/ 23.4%	VOC	77		
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	-3	783/ 26.5%	VOC	79		
Medical Assistants (31-9092)	-4	1,438/ 31.9%	HS	90		

**Important note:** A worker does not necessarily have to traverse every rung to advance to or from the focus occupation. Occupations above and below the focus occupation are directly related to the focus occupation, but they are not necessarily directly related to each other. For example, actors and athletes are both related to agents of artists, performers, and athletes, but actors and athletes are not directly related to each other.

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Data sources used for research and analysis: O\*NET (Occupation Information Network), Alaska Occupational Data Base (ODB), Standard Occupational Classification Manual, North American Industry Classification System manual, Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Employer Survey (OES) wage estimates.